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SUBJECT: HONDURAS-EL SALVADOR DISPUTE

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1. POLOFF HAD CONVERSATION WITH VIRGILIO GALVEZ, SENIOR FOREIGN MINISTRY ADVISOR ON MARCH 25. IN GENERAL CONVERSATION, HE COMMENTED ON SOME ASPECTS OF THE HONDORAS-EL SALVADOR SITUATION.

2. GALVEZ EMPHASIZED THAT THE GOH BELIEVES THE BEST WAY TO PROCEED IS IN THE FORM OF BILATERAL TALKS UNDER THE AEGIS OF THE OAS. HE REMARKED THAT THE BILATERAL TALKS THAT TOOK PLACE IN MEXICO IN LATE 1973 WERE CONDUCTED IN THAT WAY. HOWEVER, HE COMMENTED THAT THE BASIC FAILING OF THE MEXICAN TALKS WAS THAT THERE WAS NO WAY TO RESOLVE QUESTIONS WHICH WERE STILL INDISPUTE AFTER THE BILATERAL TALKS HAD TAKEN PLACE. HE STATED, THEREFORE, THAT ANY NEW NEGOTIATION WOULD HAVE TO INCLUDE PROVISION FOR MEDIATION, PERHAPS SIMILAR TO THE ABORTED BATRES-BORGONOVO FORMULA.
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GALVEZ SAID THAT EL SALVADOR WOULD HAVE ELECTION IN 1976

AND OBSERVED THAT SUCH A SITUATION WOULD MAKE NEGOTIATIONS VERY DIFFICULT NEXT YEAR. HE REMARKED THAT IF NEGOTIATIONS WERE TO HAVE A CHANCE OF SUCCEEDING IN THE NEAR FUTURE, THEY WOULD HAVE TO TAKE PLACE THIS YEAR.

3. HE SAID THAT THE GOH HAD RECEIVED A COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMITTEE OF SEVEN CONCERNING A REPORT BY THE GOH ON HOW NEGOTIATIONS ARE PROCEEDING. HE REMARKED THAT NO DEFINITE DECISION HAD BEEN REACHED BUT THAT HONDURAS WOULD PROBABLY SUBMIT A REPORT DURING APRIL.SANCHEZ

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